Transitional Housing Placement Program (THPP) for Current Foster Youth

Program Description

The THPP is a transitional housing placement opportunity for foster and probation youth who are at least 16 and under age 19, who are currently in the child welfare system. The goal of the program is to provide a safe living environment so that youth can practice the skills necessary to live on their own upon leaving the foster care support system. The program provides supervised transitional living housing and supportive services based on a youth's Transitional Independent Living Plan (TILP). The TILP is developed by the youth, and other supportive persons, detailing goals and objectives to achieve while working toward self-sufficiency.

Program Requirements

Participant Eligibility:

- ILP, social workers, and probation officers must refer youth.
- Youth are pursuing county-approved TILP goals, and are participating in or have participated in Independent Living Program services.
- The maximum time for THPP participation is 24 cumulative months.

County Eligibility

- Counties send in a Letter of Intent and program plan.
- Counties must have an approved plan in order to participate.

Provider Eligibility:

 THPP provider must be licensed by CDSS Community Care Licensing (CCL) and have a plan approved by the county they are contracting with.

Housing Requirements

General:

- Participants may live alone or, with departmental approval, with roommates in apartments and singlefamily dwellings. They are supported by THPP contracted agency staff, county social workers, and ILP coordinators.
- Publicly supervised or privately operated shelters, or other living friends, family members, and others that provide temporary accommodation, <u>are not</u> acceptable.

Services:

 Participants receive supportive services from providers to achieve the goals outlined in their TILP.

Licensing Standards

The THPP program is licensed under Health and Safety Code Sections 1502(a)(1),1503.5(a) and 1559.110

Funding

THPP is funded with Federal/State/County funds.

Annual State Allocations

THPP funds are Allocated Annually. The following is a history of the THPP Allocation:

- FY 2008/09 \$3,459,000
- FY 2009/10, due to reductions in Child Welfare Services Funding, \$1,259,000

Participating Counties

FY 2010/11 participating counties: Butte, Colusa, Contra Costa, Del Norte, El Dorado, Glenn. Humboldt, Lake, Lassen, Marin, Mendocino, Modoc, Monterey, Nevada, Orange, Placer, Plumas, San Bernardino, San Francisco, San Luis Obispo, San Mateo, Santa Barbara, Santa Clara, Shasta, Siskiyou, Solano, Sonoma, Tehama, Trinity, Ventura, Yuba, a total of 31 Counties.

Counties participating FY 2009/2010 – 31
*Counties participating FY 2010/2011 –30
Total allocation FY 2009/2010 - \$1,259,000 SGF
Average Rate Paid FY 2009/2010 - \$3,251

Additional information/regulations may be found at www.cdss.ca.gov under Find Services, Foster Care or contact the Transitional Housing Coordinator at:

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